DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

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Food and Drug Administration Rockville, MD 20857

NDA 20-986/S-024

Novo Nordisk Pharmaceuticals, Inc. Attention: Barry Reit, Ph.D. Vice President, Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance 100 College Road West Princeton, NJ 08540

Dear Dr. Reit:

Please refer to your supplemental new drug application dated January 30, 2004, received February 2, 2004, submitted under section 505(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act for NovoLog (insulin aspart [rDNA origin] injection).

We acknowledge receipt of your submission dated July 26, 2004.

This supplemental new drug application provides for revisions to the physician and patient package inserts for the use of external insulin pumps.

We completed our review of this application, as amended. This application is approved, effective on the date of this letter, for use as recommended in the agreed-upon labeling text.

The final printed labeling (FPL) must be identical to the enclosed labeling (text for the package insert and text for the patient package insert for 3 mL cartridge and 10 mL vial). Marketing the product with FPL that is not identical to the approved labeling text may render the product misbranded and an unapproved new drug.

Please submit the FPL electronically according to the guidance for industry titled *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format* – *NDAs*. Alternatively, you may submit 20 paper copies of the FPL as soon as it is available, in no case more than 30 days after it is printed. Please individually mount 15 of the copies on heavy-weight paper or similar material. For administrative purposes, this submission should be designated "FPL for approved supplement NDA 20-986/S-024." Approval of this submission by FDA is not required before the labeling is used.

The electronic labeling rule published December 11, 2003, (68 FR 69009) requires submission of labeling content in electronic format effective June 8, 2004. For additional information, consult the following guidances for industry regarding electronic submissions: *Providing Regulatory Submissions in Electronic Format - NDAs* (January 1999) and *Providing Regulatory*

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Submissions in Electronic Format – Content of Labeling (February 2004). The guidances specify that labeling to be submitted in *pdf* format. If formatted copies of all labeling pieces (i.e., package insert, patient package insert, container labels, and carton labels) are submitted electronically, labeling does not need to be submitted in paper.

In addition, submit three copies of the introductory promotional materials that you propose to use for this product. Submit all proposed materials in draft or mock-up form, not final print. Send one copy to this division and two copies of both the promotional materials and the package inserts directly to:

Division of Drug Marketing, Advertising, and Communications, HFD-42 Food and Drug Administration 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville. MD 20857

If you issue a letter communicating important information about this drug product (i.e., a "Dear Health Care Professional" letter), we request that you submit a copy of the letter to this NDA and a copy to the following address:

MEDWATCH, HFD-410 FDA 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

We remind you that you must comply with reporting requirements for an approved NDA (21 CFR 314.80 and 314.81).

If you have any questions, call Julie Rhee, Regulatory Project Manager, at (301) 827-6424.

Sincerely,

{See appended electronic signature page}

David G. Orloff, M.D.
Director
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and Endocrine Drug Products, HFD-510
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Enclosures: 1. Physician insert

2. Information for the Patient for 3 mL cartridge and 10 mL vial

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